homoeopathic medicines in injectable forms it is denying possible benefits to a large number of patients; and

(d) whether Government would consider updating of the Homoeopathic Pharmacopoeia of India?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D. K. THARA DEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a) to (d) The commonly referred Homoeopathic books do not mention about the use of homoeopathic drugs in injectable form, excepting homoeopathic Materia Medica with reperyery by W. Beericke.

It is for the Homoeopathic profession to arrive at a consensus first about the benefits or otherwise of homoeopathic medicine in injectable form, before inclusion in the Homoeopathic Pharmacopoeia of India (HPI) can be considered by the Government.

Homoeopathic medicine in injectable form

2924. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the fact that the German Homo eopathic Pharmacopoeia and Homo eopathic Pharmacopoeia *oi* India differ in many homoeopathic medi cines in injectable form;

(b) if so, does the Government not deem it fit to incorporate into Homoeopathic Pharmacopoeia of India the recommendations with re gard to the preparation and use of medicines which are prescribed in the form of injection in the official Homoeopathic Pharmacopoeia of Ger many; and

(c) whether Government would have an open mind and enable peo ple of the country to have an access to what is proved beneficial in the treatment of many diseases?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D. K. THARA DEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a) German Homoeopathic Pharmacopoeia and Homoeopathic Pharmacopoeia of India differ in many aspects. The Homoeopathic Pharmacopoeia of India does not have any standard or specification for any Homoeopathic medicine in injectable form.

(b) This is an issue where the Homoeopathic profession has to arrive at a consenses first, before its inclusion in the Homoeopathic Pharmacopoeia of India can be considered.

(c) Yes, Sir.

Vacancies in Group 'D' Posts in AIIMS and Dr. R.M.L. Hospital, New Delhi

2925. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that good number of vacancies in Group 'D' posts are lying vacant in All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi and Dr. R.M.L. Hospital, New Delhi in the reserved categories of SC and ST;

(b) whether it is also a fact that candidates sponsored by the Employment Exchange have been awaiting in queue for their interview/selection since long;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) what action has been taken by the Authorities concerned to fill up the same?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D. K. THARA DEVI SIDDHARTHA): *(a)* to (d) It has been reported by All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi, that all Group 'D' posts reserved for SC/ST have been filled in under the Special Recruitment Drive covering the period upto March, 1991. However, some posts